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Title: **TREE-STYLE HIERARACHICAL CONTRL WITH GRAPHICAL  
DEPICTION OF NON-HIERARCHAICAL RELATIONSHIPS**

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**Comments on Statements of Reasons for Allowance.**

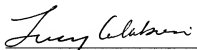
Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully submit that the reasons for allowance are not limited to those indicated by the Examiner and that the details of the graphical representation is expressly stated in the claim, and does not include the limitation of an "enhanced tree-style."

Applicants further wish to make clear that the claims in the present application recite a combination of features, and the patentability of the allowed claims should be considered to be based on the totality of the features recited therein, i.e. , the invention "considered as a whole," as defining over the prior art.

Please contact the Applicant at the below number if the Examiner disagrees with the Applicant's statements herein.

Respectfully submitted,



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